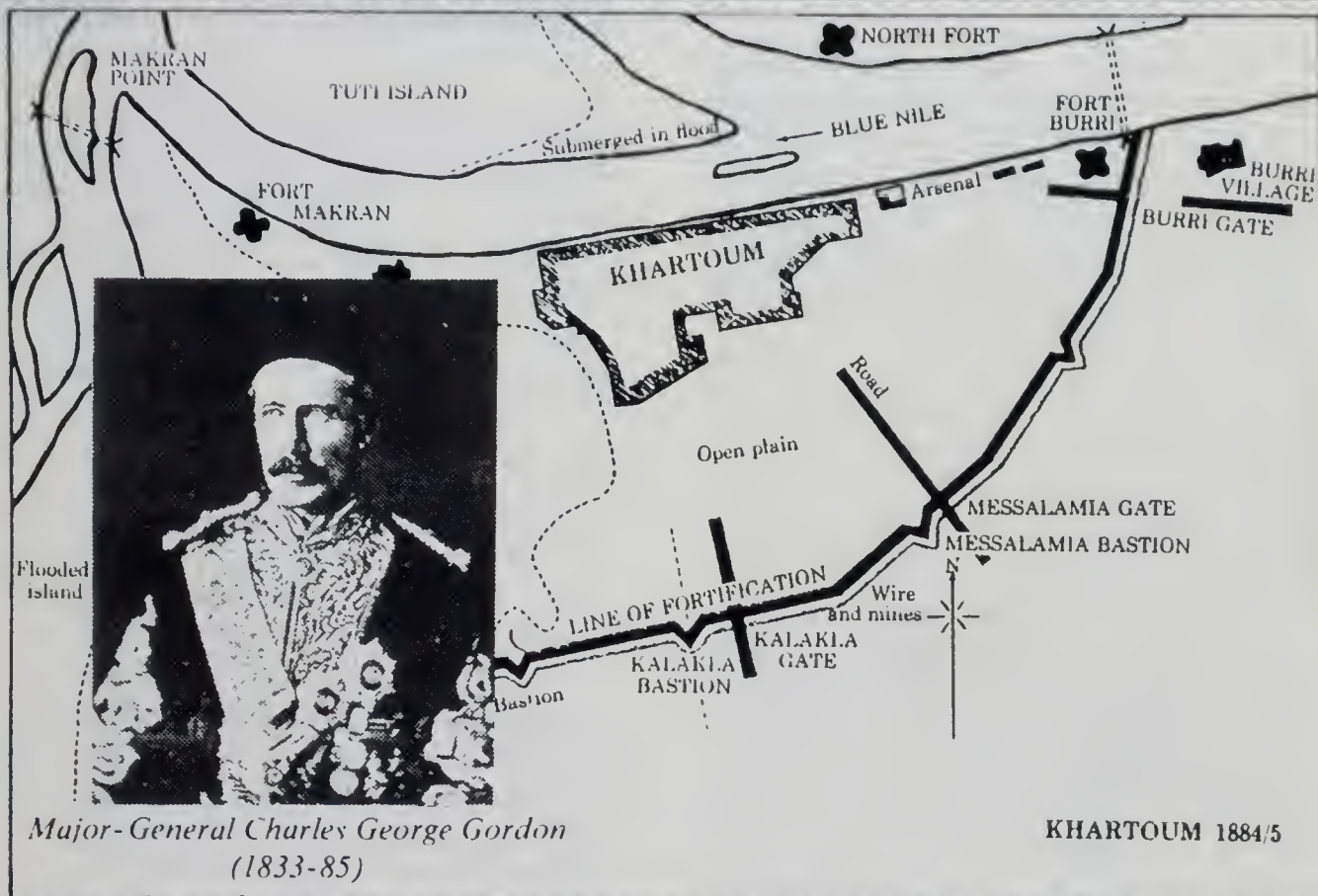




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Message From The President

Dorothy C. Baber, CSNA 1577

Time does fly — and the Editor's deadline date precludes offering any information about the 83rd Semi-Annual Convention in Ontario, California we do hope that you were able to fit the weekend following Thanksgiving into your schedule and visited the CSNA Convention at the Red Lion Inn on November 25, 26, 27

Bill Grant was quite a busy person, working as both the General Chairman and the Bourse Coordinator. He was a little disappointed at the response for bourse tables but hopefully things improved before the date of the show.

As reported in the last letter, through the efforts of Steve Huston, C.S.N.A. again has quite a collection of California. At the last Board Meeting, he turned over to the officers three boxes, containing a number of miscellaneous medals, coins, tokens, etc. that had been buried in the archives of the San Francisco Mint; items they felt of no numismatic interest, or not enough interest to take their display space.

I have been attempting to compile a list of what is in the boxes he turned over to CSNA. Two boxes of files (3 x 5) accompanied the collection, listing somewhere around 2,000 pieces — though each item has not been inventoried, per se, it seems there are mostly minor tokens and medals from cafes, beauty shops, pool halls, billiard parlors, fraternal organization parlors, merchants, gas stations, dairies, etc. It will be interesting to see just what has been hidden away at the Mint these past years. Hopefully I will have a representative list for members to peruse at the November convention and we can make some determination on the future of this collection.



I hope those clubs who carry membership in *American Numismatic Association* have been furnished with information from their A.N.A. District delegates — this newly revitalized program has designated California and Hawaii as Region 8, under the capable leadership of Helen O'Carmody (who isn't familiar with the O'Carmodys?). She has been named as the Regional Coordinator for Region 8 and is quite enthusiastic about the program, attempting to attract members to the A.N.A. and make them aware of the many services and benefits available through the club programs.

The following CSNA members have been named as Region 8 District Delegates and hopefully they have been visiting your A.N.A. member clubs to disseminate information on the programs available — Charles Colver, John & Key Lenker, Walter Ostromecki, Lucian Howsley (Hawaii), Stan Griffeth, Ken Barr, David Cieniewicz, and Michael Turrini. I, too have been honored to be named among this group.

From all indications at the A.N.A. Convention in Cincinnati, everything seems to be in the positive, and delegates came up with some interesting ideas which will be passed on to club representatives. It is a much better program than in the past because there is now someone who will listen . . . Your Club Representative and your District Delegate

Until next time, thanks for listening,

Dorothy



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MEMBER — ABILIA

What kind of member are you?

Q — Do you attend your local coin shows and conventions?

A — Or do you think it is too far to drive? You don't want to pay for overnight lodging? Even if it is a few miles more than what you are accustomed to driving, why not support the club and treat yourself to a weekend vacation? You must realize that all shows cannot be close to everyone.

Q — Do you participate in the meal functions that are planned especially for you?

A — Or do you say the price is too high? Part of the "fun of attending a show" are the social events and camaraderie of your collector friends.

Q — If you are a dealer, do you sign up on a regular basis?

A — Or do you back off, saying you'll come only if there is a sell out? If dealers don't sign up, how will the bourse chairman be able to tell you if it is a sell out?

Q — Do you enter a display?

A — Or do you comment about the time it takes for research to organize an exhibit? This is an excellent way to learn more about the subject being displayed.

Q — Do you attend the educational forums?

A — Or do you say I'm not interested in the topic for discussion? It is impossible to have subjects that appeal to everyone, but if you attend, you might become interested.

All clubs are proud of its members, show your pride in the club by your participation. You DO make a difference! YOUR involvement counts! The strength of any club is the strength of its members.

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Through the *Numismatic Glass*

A VISIT TO THE BRITISH MUSEUM

It is with sadness and a sense of honor that I add my name to this column. Bryan Burke, who originated this series several years ago, was not only a very special friend; he was also my mentor and colleague. We planned several projects together, only a couple of which we were to complete. It will not be my intention to replace Bryan Burke, I couldn't do that if I wanted to. Our writing styles are different and I'll make no attempt to imitate him. We've decided to retain the name (*Through the Numismatic Glass*) as a tribute to Bryan. It was his choice when he first introduced this marvelous series of writings. He and I talked about my role in the series and I can assure you we are carrying out Bryan's wishes. With that said, I want you to know that I dedicate this first article and the story of my work in August at the Coins and Medals Department of the British Museum to my friend Bryan and his beautiful wife, Barbara.

FINDING THE MUSEUM!

From our hotel in Black Heath, a suburb of London, we traveled to British Rail to Charing Cross Station and transferred to the "tube" (underground). Our destination — Tottenham Court Road! The train/tube is a much used and a very efficient public transportation system. A short walk (once you know where you are going) takes us to the front gate of the British Museum.



The British Museum, founded in 1753, is one of the great museums of the world, showing the works of man from prehistoric times to the present day.
There are permanent displays of antiquities.

The British Museum is an imposing gray building looking much like a Greek Temple from the front entrance. This distinguished institute grew out of a private collection of manuscripts purchased in 1753 with the proceeds of a lottery. Fed by legacies, discoveries, purchases and a certain amount of plain looting, the museum became one of the world's largest museums, containing literally millions of objects. Like the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, the British Museum is impossible to see in one day or even several days. The Egyptian room, for example, contains the Rosetta Stone, whose discovery led to the deciphering of hieroglyphics while the Assyrian Transept has the legendary Black Obelisk, dating from around 860-BC.

Among the manuscripts you'll find the Magna Carta, an original Gutenberg Bible, the first folio of Shakespeare's plays (published in 1623), a Greek Bible handwritten in the 4th Century-AD and a fantastic collection of autographs including the signatures of Cromwell, Newton, Disraeli, Milton, Swift and Sir Walter Raleigh.

The Coins and Medals Department may be reached by going to the second floor and through the room devoted to the daily life of the ancient Greeks and Romans — Room 69A. I carried with me a letter of introduction written by Alan Stahl, one of the curators of the American Numismatic Society. Alan had written to Mark Jones, in charge of the medal collections and Barry Cook, curator of the medieval collections at the Museum. Upon arrival at the doors, a sign greeted me: "The hours for students are from 10:00 to 12:30 and, following lunch, from 2:00 until 4:30 p.m." The entrance is a steel "vault-type" locked door looking something like an entrance to a bank vault. There were several displays of medals leading to the entrance. To the right of the door was a window with an opening to speak through, not unlike those found at a theatre to sell tickets. An outsider would know nothing of the scope of collections and activities to be found behind those doors.

Approaching the window, I rang the bell and was greeted by a young lady. "May I assist you?" she inquired. Many people, I learned later, bring coins to be identified and present them to whoever appears at the window. I gave her my letter from Alan Stahl. She asked if I wished to make an appointment to be a "student" and I told her I would like to view their collection of Papal Coins. "When do you want an appointment?" she asked. "Right now," I responded. "I'll only be here two days and I'd like to start immediately." Well, she didn't know if that would be possible but she took my letter and disappeared from the window in search of Mark Jones. It is my belief that "students" are tolerated but the staff is not thrilled to see them. Perhaps it is because they must stop what they are doing and attend to the visitors. After a bit of conversation among the staff, the door opened and I was ushered into the interior.

I'm not sure what you readers would have expected but I assumed the stately old Britian Museum would have presented very serious looking desks, perhaps with green-shaded lights more closely associated with libraries. I was first asked to fill out several forms, show my passport and wait for further instructions. All this by an attendant clerk. I only caught a glimpse of Mark Jones. Soon I was admitted to the "students" room (I was the only student); a bare room with three tables, each with a fluorescent light. On a raised platform at the front of the room stood a table, chair and video screen for the proctor who was assigned (on a rotating schedule) to monitor students inspecting the coins or medals. Each of these monitors worked on some sort of clerical assignment as the student (me) inspected the coins.

After sitting at the table of my choice, I was informed the coins would soon arrive. On the first day, Mr. Craig brought two of three trays at a time from a mahogany cabinet always associated with European collections. We began with the earliest dates (9th century) and progressed through the 19th Century. Following a careful count of the coins in each tray, I was presented the collection and my inspection began. I wished to see what coins made up the collection, compare these to the coins that I knew were minted and, as collectors love to do, just look at these rare coins as minted by the various popes. I had hoped to be able to photograph the coins but was told no pictures were permitted. The Museum would supply photographs at the rate of three pounds (\$5.25) for any coin where a negative already existed and eleven pounds (\$19.80) per coin where no negative was available.

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As the hours passed, much less attention was paid to me and, at times, I was alone with these beautiful papal coins. As the English say, this was "Smashing!" By the second day, the entire cabinet was brought into the room. It held about 26 trays.

THE COLLECTION

The collection of Papal Coins in the British Museum include the traditional period from the 9th Century through 1870, the end of the Papal States and the Papal Coinage. (I do not include the issues from Vatican City beginning in 1929 as part of this series). As a collection, the holdings include few rarities. Missing were many early coins considered scarce yet found in numerous collections. The series at the American Numismatic Society in New York, for example, contains many more rare papal coins. Among the missing were Sede Vacante Coins prior to 1559. This important series began in 1378 with several issues prior to 1559. Coins from the various mints outside of Rome were also missing from the collection. Papal Coins were struck at some 42 mints. Those from the facility at Avignon began during the 14th Century and continued through much of the 17th Century, yet were hardly noticeable in the British holdings. Gold coins, when found, were the more common pieces and the larger denominations and sizes were missing.

Each of the coins was identified by an accession number as well as information identifying the source of the coin. John Hora, one of the staff members, told me about some of the coins. I had noticed what appeared to be a Monogram of some sort under many of the pieces. These I soon learned were from the personal collection of King George III. Since this is the same King our colonists revolted against, wasn't it interesting that I was sitting in the British Museum examining coins from his private collection? And what a thrill to be holding and looking at these coins that the King must have held in his hands while he admired and examined them! Truly, our hobby offers great opportunities and excitement.

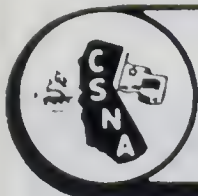
While the collection may not have contained many rarities, the condition of the coins was incredible. Although there were a few exceptions, the coins were the most beautiful I've seen. The American Numismatic Society holds many more rarities, but those in the British Collection are in much better condition. What a thrill to see many of these coins as they must have looked shortly after they were placed into circulation or, as was the case with the later pieces, in uncirculated condition. Barry Cook explained that the collection of Papal Coins had come primarily from 19th Century collections thus were acquired while many striking examples were still available to collectors. And, of course, the King George III coins were acquired during the 18th century. From time-to-time, I found coins that were not labeled or had been mixed up by previous "students" but the staff was too busy to deal with these problems. Thus, the coins were returned to the same slots and the next papal coin student will exclaim that these coins are in the "wrong slots" too. We found one coin that was completely unknown to me and not listed in the Muntoni Books, the basic source for information about this series of coins. Mr. Cook, after some study, informed me he thought it was a presentation piece. I ordered a photograph of the piece and hope to do some research on it.

The holdings of the large crown-sized coins called Piastre and Scudi remain unknown to me. I simply ran out of time. It is my plan to return in the near future and look at these coins as well as the Museum's outstanding collection of papal medals. All of that will have to wait for another day; another trip. It was with pleasure and anticipation that I left the Coins and Medals Department of the Museum because I know that I shall return in the future. I believe I made friends with those I met and worked with and am grateful for their courtesies.

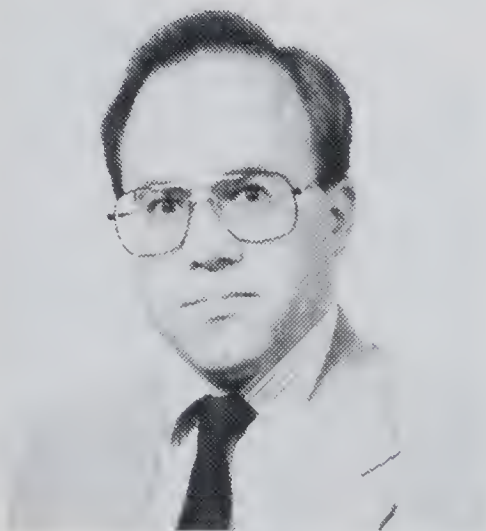


DO A FRIEND A FAVOR

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Who's Who in Cal-State Numismatics



By: DAVID W. LANGE
CSNA #4304

Every collector has his own story of how he entered the hobby. For Dave Lange, it began at the age of seven with an older brother's waning interest in scouting. Among the merit badge efforts was the formation of a small collection of coins. Consisting of partly filled folders of Lincoln cents and Buffalo nickels, it included a one volume library, *Yeoman's 1964 Blue Book*. For the youngster, these held even greater fascination than model making and television, the major activities to this point.

The cent collection was relinquished readily. The nickels, however, were obtained only through repeated whining. This achieved, more folders were purchased at dime stores, and the collection grew to include all series then in circulation. With silver still abundant, the hobby was a satisfying one for several years.

Dave dropped out of coin collecting during his high school years but then attended his first coin show that same summer after graduating. His interest grew rapidly, and numismatic books soon became as high a priority as the coins themselves. The knowledge gained from both led to some hesitant attempts at writing.

His first article was published in 1980. Since that time, Dave has written for *Coin World*, *CalCoin News*, *The Gobrecht Journal*, and the *PCNS Journal*. He was editor of the latter publication for two years.

Dave has also had several feature articles published in *The Numismatist* and is currently writing a monthly column titled "Back to Basics". This title can be said to sum up his philosophy of collecting in which the educational and pleasurable aspects of numismatics come first.

In addition to his writing activities, Dave is a frequent speaker at coin clubs and has had numerous exhibits at coin shows. The most recent was his collection of "Seated Liberty Half Dollars of the San Francisco Mint", displayed at the Cincinnati convention of the American Numismatic Association. It took Second Place at that event, after having been awarded the Best-in-Show Award at the Spring 1987 convention of the California State Numismatic Association.

This collection is being expanded to include all of the half dollars coined at the San Francisco Mint from 1855 to date, including the commemoratives. Dave's other numismatic specialties include Philippine coins and notes of the U.S. administration, coin books and periodicals, and, oddly enough, obsolete coin boards and albums.

Dave is currently serving as President of both the *Pacific Coast Numismatic Society* and the *Liberty Numismatic Society*. He is also a member of the American Numismatic Association, the Numismatic Literary Guild, the Early American Coppers Club, the Liberty Seated Collectors Club, the Philippine Collectors Society, the Society of Private and Pioneer Numismatics, the Northern California

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Numismatic Association, the Fremont Coin Club, and the San Jose Coin Club.

Unmarried, Dave lives in San Bruno and has been employed by Pacific Gas and Electric Company since graduating from college. His current position is Senior Design Drafter. In addition to numismatics, his interests include history, architecture, film, railroading, and naval and aeronautical development. But most of all, he likes to talk to all kinds of collectors about their collections.

— By Virginia Hall



In Memory of Herbert Bergen

Herbert M. Bergen, age 91, an Orange County resident since 1898, died November 1, 1988 at his residence in Fullerton.

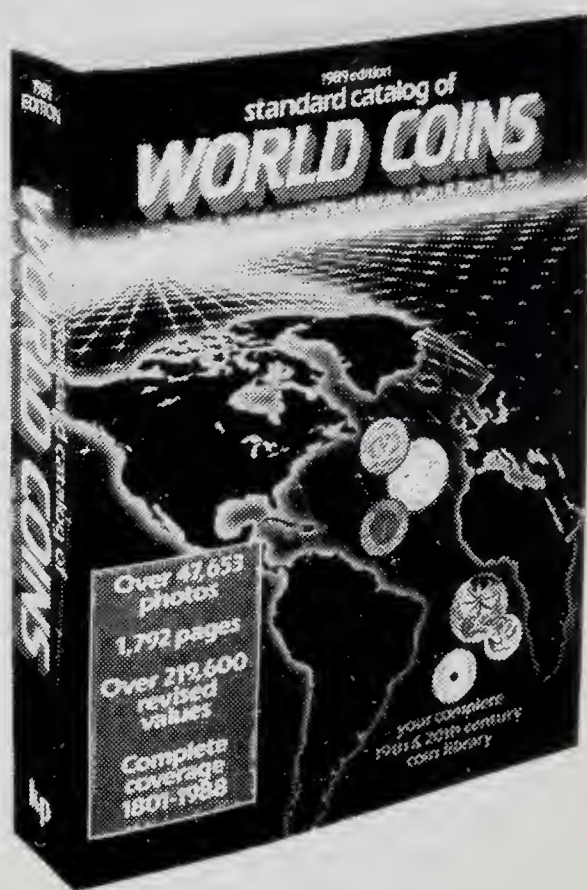
He was born September 7, 1897 in a sod house in Delmont, South Dakota which still stands as a historical building. He became a Fullerton resident in 1928. For 70 years he was involved in citrus ranching and was a petroleum engineer.

He served as the president of the California State Numismatic Association 1959-1961, also president of the American Numismatic Association. He was a member of the U. S. Assay Commission and the 1976 Bicentennial Commission for coins and medals.

He was charter member #17 in the *Orange County Coin Club* as well as a member of several other local numismatic organizations. He participated in the CSNA Educational Symposium and was very dedicated to our hobby.

He is survived by three children, Marilyn of Irvine, CA; Herbert of New Jersey; and Barbara of Maryland and several grand children and great-grandchildren.

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THE ADVENTURE OF THE FRAMED PORTRAIT

By: LEVIN P. MESSICK, C.S.N.A. 4681

I suppose that the Adventure of the Framed Portrait began with my childhood love of reading. Reading and Numismatics were two childhood passions that would carry over into my adult life. I have discovered that there are certain books, that like good wine, seem to improve with age. For me, some of these have always been the various adventures of Sherlock Holmes, by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. Even after many years and many readings, I can still sit down on a long winter's evening, before the fire, and within a few moments find myself rattling along, across Victorian London, in a hansom cab, with the great detective and his everpresent biographer, Dr. Watson.

Even now, I am often intrigued by the little glimpses of certain personalities, of the era, provided by the author. I would like to share one of these glimpses with you now. In the story, THE CARDBOARD BOX, it is pointed out to us, by none other than the master detective himself, that two of Dr. Watson's most prized possessions were, "a framed portrait of General Gordon and an unframed picture of Henry Ward Beecher." Neither the great Holmes nor the good doctor ever provide any additional information concerning why this should be so. It would appear that Holmes has provided a mystery for us to solve. Using the master's own methods, let us pose a series of questions, in the answers to which, must lie the solution, to the mystery. What else do we know about Dr. Watson? Why did he frame one portrait and not the other? Who were Gordon and Beecher? Lastly, why were the portraits prized?



A Framed Portrait of General Gordon and an unframed picture of Henry Ward Beecher

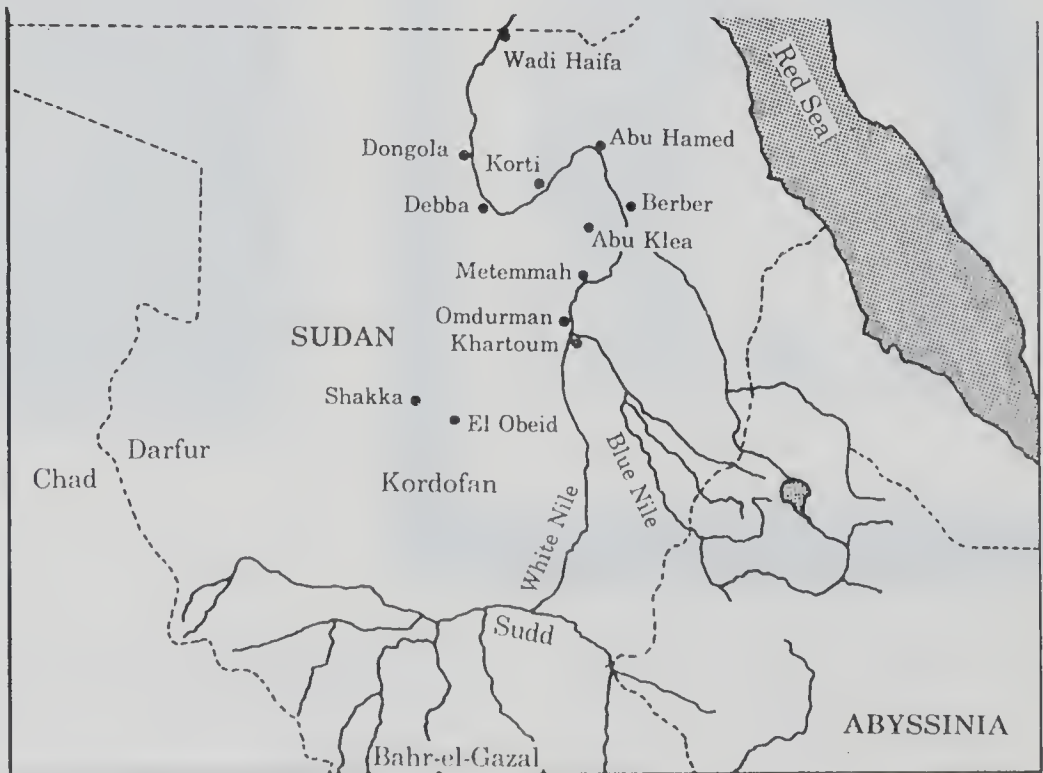
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We know, from what Sir Arthur tells us, that Dr. Watson was a retired medical officer who had been a wounded veteran, of the Afghan War. He was tall and heavily built. In addition, he enjoyed reading and music, and, as a younger man, had played rugby at college. We also know that whenever Holmes had to face down the criminal classes, he invariably requested the assistance of the doctor. We have here the description of a man who was by profession and inclination, a humane man. It is also the description of a man who jolly well knew his duty and was a formidable and fearless chap in carrying it out.

Why was one portrait framed? Elementary! A frame is used to protect a picture. We may assume that the framed portrait was the more highly prized. Let us move on to the question of the identities of Beecher and Gordon to determine if this assumption is correct.

Henry Ward Beecher (1813-1887), an American clergyman, was internationally famous for his anti-slavery and pro-womans suffrage views. He had been involved in a scandal involving a friend's wife which had, in his last years, overshadowed his earlier good works. Thus, we see that while the doctor might well be an admirer of Reverend Beecher's principled viewpoint, he might still be hesitant to frame and display the picture, in Holme's rather public quarters.

General Charles George Gordon (1853-1885) was one of those historic personages who was really larger than life. Gordon began his career, as a 2nd lieutenant, during the Crimean War. Upon returning to England, he was posted to an Anglo-French expeditionary force in China. A protege of General Charles Stavely, he participated in the capture of Peking from Taiping rebel forces. His military ability, along with his diplomatic demeanor, brought him to the favorable attention of the Emperor of China. In 1863, the emperor appointed him to the command of a Chinese army unit, and he was charged with the responsibility of suppressing the rebellion. After thirty-three actions, culminating in the fall of Nanking, "Chinese Gordon" and "The Ever Victorious Army" suppressed the ten year old rebellion within one year. A grateful emperor appointed him as a Mandarin of the First Rank. Gordon, who was now world famous, would spend the next ten years of his career as the British Empire's troubleshooter, involved in military and diplomatic missions around the globe. In 1874, with the blessings of his government, he entered the service, of the Khedive of Egypt. The Khedive appointed him Governor of the Sudan. During the six years that he was governor, he established diplomatic relations with Ethiopia, improved trade with surrounding countries, implemented reforms in the government, and totally suppressed the slave trade.

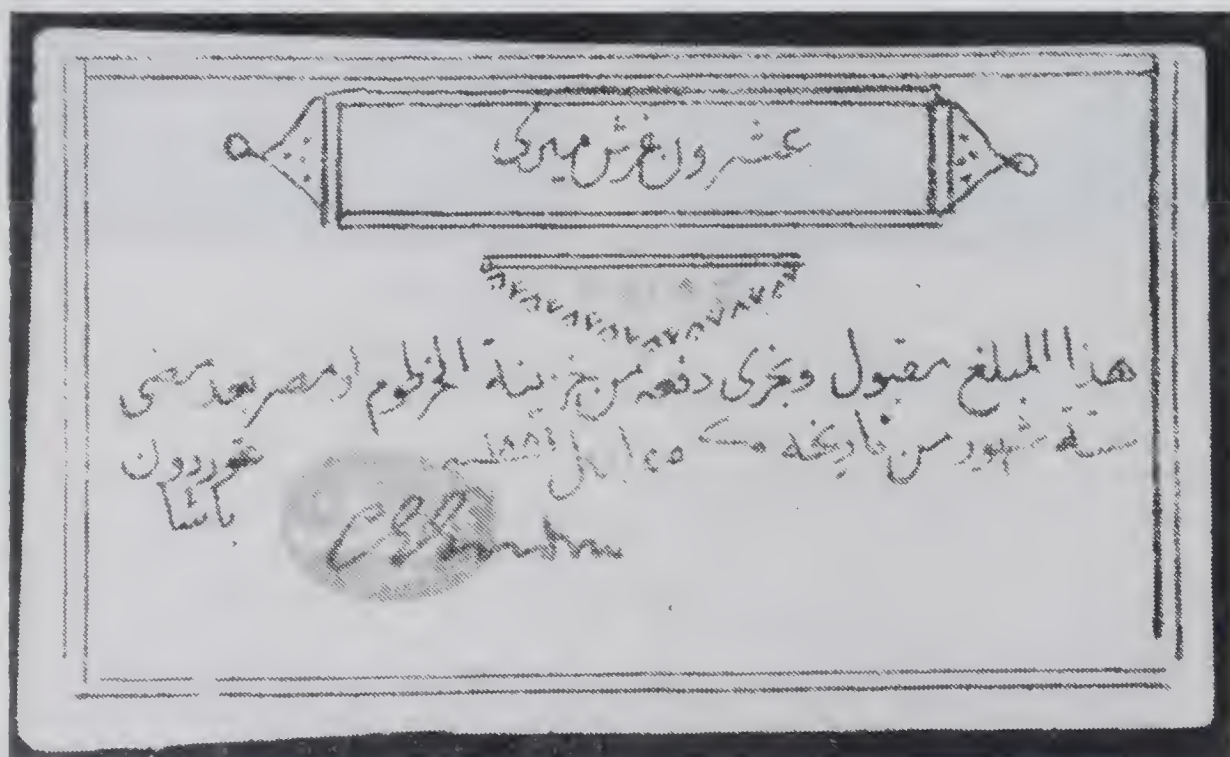


Map courtesy of Randy Briggs

Gordon was in England in November 1883, when forces under Mohammed Ahmed, called the Mahdi, revolted in the Sudan. The Khedive requested the government of Prime Minister Gladstone to send an army to put down the revolt. Instead of an army, Gladstone sent Gordon. His orders were to evacuate all British subjects from the Sudan. "Gordon Pasha" set up headquarters in the city of Khartoum and proceeded, against orders, to fortify the city. By March 2, 1884, when the city was surrounded by the Mahdi's forces, he had succeeded in fortifying Khartoum and in evacuating all British subjects, with the exception of himself and two staff members. Refusing the offer of a safe conduct from the Mahdi, Gordon proceeded to take command of the defense of the besieged city.

As might be expected, during the siege, shortages of all kinds occurred. Not the least of these, was a shortage of money. Gordon solved this problem by the issue of paper notes, in eleven denominations, ranging from one piastre to fifty Egyptian pounds. The total issue, throughout the siege, was equal to value to L 168,500 Sterling. Gordon stated that he was "personally responsible for the liquidation and anyone can bring action against me, in my individual capacity, to recover the money". Khartoum was to hold out for nearly ten months. Gordon, along with the other heroic defenders of Khartoum, was killed during the evening of January 26, 1885, when the city fell before an all out assault. An Anglo-Egyptian relief army was only two days journey away. One of the Mahdi's first acts, as the new ruler of the city, was to order the destruction of all the notes issued by Gordon.

I believe that we have solved the question of why Dr. Watson kept a portrait of General Gordon. I imagine that the doctor would have enjoyed having one of General Gordon's notes as well. I am sure that he probably believed, as did everyone else for many years, that all of them had been destroyed. In 1931, a hoard containing two thousand of these notes was discovered in the Sudan. They were eventually purchased by Spinks, who sold sets, as well as individual notes of some of the more common varieties. (If any could be called such!). During the "Blitz" of London, many of the notes which remained unsold in Spink's inventory, were destroyed. Thus, an already scarce supply was further depleted.



The note illustrated here is for the sum of twenty piastres. It, like all other known examples, is printed on a rather brittle, card-like material. This example bears the serial number 12083, handwritten, in arabic script. This is located in the semi-circle in the center of the note. The note is dated 25.4.1884. In addition, the note bears Gordon's title as Pasha, has his seal in blue, and a hectographic reproduction of his signature. There are some notes known that have hand signatures believed to be that of Gordon, himself.

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I have found that even so-called light reading has opened the doors to adventure, research, and numismatic reward. In this case, the fictional Watson pointed towards the very factual General Gordon. This, in turn, led to an increase of my numismatic knowledge. May your adventures, through books, be as rewarding!

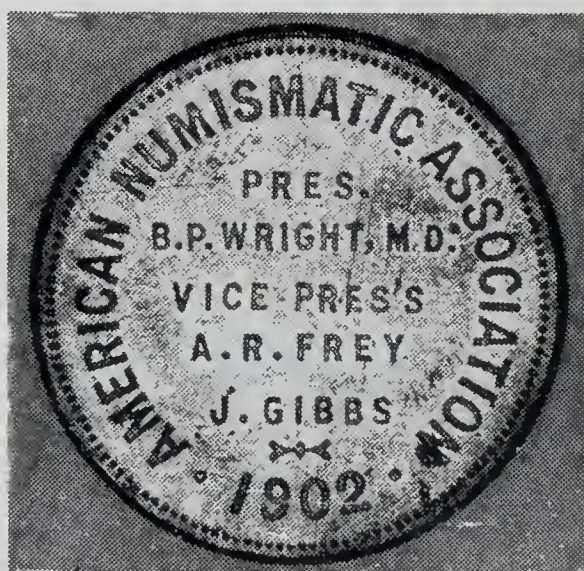
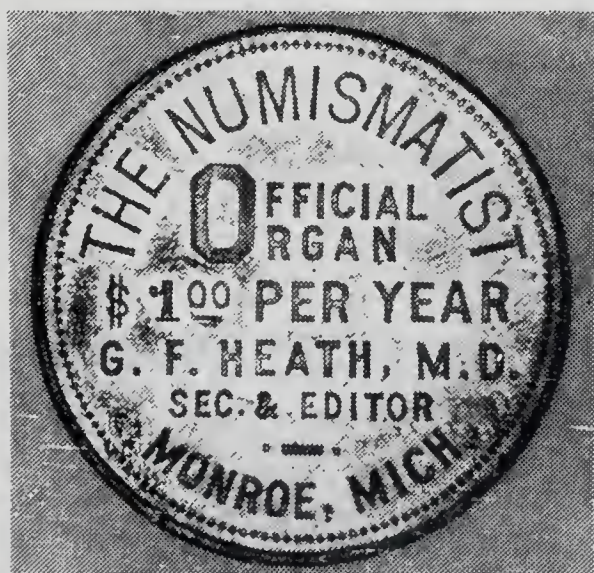
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In addition, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to Randy Briggs, who very kindly provided one of the illustrations for this article, as well as information regarding the discovery and distribution of the notes.



1902 ANA TOKEN

Debating 100 years ago in the fall of 1988, *The Numismatist* (originally called the *American Numismatist*) soon after became the official journal of the American Numismatic Association (ANA), the world's largest non-profit educational organization for collectors of coins, tokens, medals and paper money.

"Stop the foolishness. If you want varieties, we have them; don't ask us for dates, for we are not in the fruit business." So admonished Dr. George F. Heath in the January-February 1889 issue of *The Numismatist*, a four-page leaflet he issued to promote coin collecting and his own dealership.

The October 1988 issue celebrated the auspicious 100th anniversary with an article by noted author/historian Q. David Bowers entitled "*Plain Talk about The Numismatist*." Bowers traced the ups and downs of the magazine's early days, as well as the activities of the good doctor, who, when not engaged in "relieving afflicted humanity", devoted his time to the more serious business of his coin collections and publication of *The Numismatist*.

A token dated 1902 advertises the American Numismatic Association as well as *The Numismatist*. The specimen was donated to the ANA Museum by Harry J. Foreman at the ANA's 97th Anniversary Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio (July, 1988).

The
Bourse Corner
by

William J. Gray

CSNA 2860



E. P. "WALLY" WALLAKER
CSNA 3090

Originally from the state of Michigan, Wally enlisted in the Air Force in 1950. In July 1953 he graduated from Flying Cadet School, commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant and received his pilot wings. During his military career he completed overseas duty in Korea, Okinawa, Japan, France, and the Netherlands. He flew active Air Defense missions in jet fighter interceptor aircraft, and retired from the Air Force in 1970 with the grade of Major after completing 20 years of active military service. He was a Command Pilot at the time of retirement.

In 1970 he joined the Crocker Bank, performing a number of jobs during his career with the bank. In 1982 Wally retired from the Crocker Bank as a Branch Manager, completing yet another career.

Wally got his start in coin collecting at the ripe old age of 12, when his father gave him a Bust Half Dollar. From that time on Wally has been interested in coin collecting. And like so many of us, he became a parttime dealer in 1971; dealing mainly in United States coins. At present he attends approximately 40 shows a year, most of which are in California.

He is active in local clubs. He is a past president and active member at Cupertino Coin Club, and he is currently the Treasurer of San Jose Coin Club. In addition, he is a member of the ANA and a strong supporter of CSNA.

Wally and his wife Josie live in Scotts Valley, California. They have two grown children, a son and a daughter. One would think that after traveling for 20 years in the military service Wally would like to settle down, but that is not the case, he still loves to travel ... Hawaii and Germany being favorite places.

The Slate of the Candidates

The policy of the California State Numismatic Association is to maintain a proper balance of officers throughout the state. According to the percent of members in both the North and the South, there will be three directors elected from the North, five from the South. *Check your ballots carefully.*

OFFICERS — 1989

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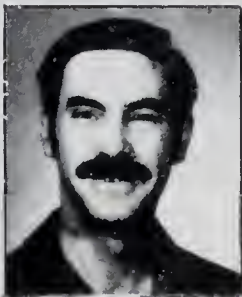
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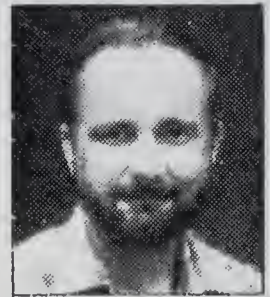
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Barbara Burke

ED FULWIDER, Pacifica, has served *CSNA* as Vice President security chairman for five conventions, as well as general chairman for 3 conventions. He is an "unofficial P.R. man" for the San Francisco Mint where he was employed for more than 20 years as a Senior Die-Setter. Now retired, he enjoys speaking to schools, clubs and service organizations about coin collecting and mint history.

DR. THOMAS F. FITZGERALD, Covina currently *CSNA* Director of Education was general chairman for the 73rd convention in Anaheim. Popular speaker locally and at the *ANA* Theater, author of over 50 published articles for which he has received numerous awards. Recipient of the Freedom Foundation Medal from Valley Forge, a consultant for the Standard Catalog of World Coins, special interest in Papal Coins and Medals. Currently a staff writer for *Caleoin News*.

ELIZABETH L. WISSELEAD, Santa Ana, general chairman of the 65th convention, exhibit chairman, past assistant editor of *Caleoin News South*, past president of several local clubs, forum moderator, speaker and publicity chairman. A real main stay in the Orange County Coin Club. As well as the Convention of International Numismatics.

CATHARINE EDGERTON LENKER, San Diego current *CSNA* custodian of educational material and director. Was general chairman of the 55th and 77th convention, exhibitor, judge, moderator and speaker at local functions. An *ANA* accredited judge, general chairman for the 1983 *ANA* convention in 1983, very active in San Diego area. Encourage beginning numismatics of all ages.

G. LEE KUNTZ, Claremont has collected coins since the 1930's, specializing in U.S. Large Cents. Past President of the Los Angeles Coin Club, *CSNA* director 1978-1982 and 1985-1986. He has been an educational symposium speaker, forum speaker and general chairman of the 1987 Fall *CSNA* convention. He is President of Masterpiece Medallions who produces the *CSNA* medallion series.

BILL DAVIS, San Mateo has been an avid collector for over 25 years. He has been a Director of the Liberty Numismatic Society and is moving up through the chairs. When *LNS* hosted the *CSNA* 72nd convention in 1983 he was the host club liaison. He spent the entire four days at the 70th convention from installing chairs in the bourse room until the last display case was removed on Sunday. He has also worked as Bourse Assistant and at the Registration Desk. We need enthusiastic young men like Bill.

DAVE CIENIEWICZ, Redwood City was the General Chairman for the 80th convention and served on the 70th and 72nd conventions. He is the recipient of the 1986 *CSNA* Silver Literary Award. An active numismatist in Northern California, he is past president of the Liberty Numismatic Society and the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society. Dave is always eager to do his part for the advancement of numismatics.

KEN BARR, San Jose was *CSNA* General Chairman for the 76th and 82nd Conventions. He is currently a *CSNA* director. He has held several offices in the San Jose Coin Club, as well as the Cupertino Coin Club and has been the publicity chairman of the Souvenir Card Collectors Society. He is a very active numismatist in the Northern California area.

G.A. "CORKY" AYERS, Pomona, is a very active numismatist in Southern California. He is currently President of the Numismatic Association of Southern California, as well as past president of the Convention of International Numismatics and several local clubs. He has a good knowledge of the workings of a club being a treasurer, bourse chairman, visual educational library, and security.

BARBARA BURKE, San Bernardino, wife of Past President Bryan Burke. She has served in several capacities promoting *CSNA*. She was chairman of meal functions at the 1976 Disneyland Convention, as well as the 1988 Red Lion Convention. Barbara has been our Circulation Director for the past 10 years.

PHIL IVERSEN, Sherman Oaks has served *CSNA* two terms as Director of Administration, was general chairman of the 63rd convention. He has presented programs, moderated forums and set up award winning displays. He owns Star Coins in Sherman Oaks. As well as handling publicity, he also designed the convention medal.

ANGUS BRUCE, Hemet was the Security Chairman for the 75th and 83rd *CSNA* conventions. He is a Past President of the San Bernardino County Coin Club, Hemet Numismatists and the Convention of International Numismatics. He is currently the *IBNS* librarian and was a contributor to Krause's Standard Catalog of World Paper Money, Vol. 1 and 2. He is very active in Southern California numismatics.



SOUTH of the TEHACHAPIS

By: DR. SHELBY WAGNER, CSNA N3590

AWESOME TWOSOME

Related congratulations to two tremendous people — members and officers of many coin clubs, Bill and Elizabeth Wisslead, for being awarded the ANA Silver Medal of Merit. Everyone owes you a special thanks for your years of dedication to the hobby.

IN DUE TIME

Now is the time to pay your membership dues. You can save your club extra expense by paying the dues at the next club meeting — or at least by sending in the dues now! Please save your club twenty-five cents in postage for each time they remind you. The treasurers thank you. Incidentally, the *Long Beach Coin Club* raised their dues to \$5, the first dues increase since the club was organized in 1950.

WEIGHT! WEIGHT! I WANT TO GO!

The *Culver City Coin Club* is planning their Installation Banquet for January 12. The *West Valley Coin Club* has scheduled their banquet for January 22 at the Swedish Inn in Woodland Hills. Corky Ayuers will be Master of Ceremonies.

ON THE MEND

Sorry to report that Dennis Rocklein had surgery on his foot; Henry Getz of the *L.A. Coin Club* is out of the hospital after undergoing bypass surgery; Heather Calvert, a junior member with *Covina Coin Club*, was hospitalized with a heart condition; Nate Bromberg of the *Whittier Coin Club* is out of the hospital, as is Sally Marx of the *Bay Cities Coin Club*.

CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences to Kay Northam and Paul Borack upon the death of their brother in Boston. This was the second brother to pass away within a few weeks.

OMSA

Congratulations to *San Diego Numismatic Society* member Roger Sullivan for being re-elected to the Board of Governors of the Orders and Medal Society of America. The society recently concluded their annual convention in San Diego.

HAVE I GOT AN IDEA FOR THIS CLUB!

Many clubs held Other Hobbies Night during the summer. The *San Bernardino County Coin Club* may have established the record with twenty-four members exhibiting.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

The *Redlands Coin Club* is making plans for their 25th anniversary meeting in December. The *Whittier Coin Club* celebrated their 29th in September. The *Upland Coin Club* celebrated their 30th with an annual potluck in August. The *San Bernardino County Coin Club* is in its 40th year.

AUTHOR

Sol Taylor of the *Whittier Coin Club* has released the second edition of the "Standard Guide to the Lincoln Cent".

AND THE WINNER IS

The *San Diego Numismatic Society* has established a 'Coin of the Month' drawing. Prior to each meeting, the 'Coin of the Month' is announced in the bulletin. Each person who brings that coin to the meeting receives a ticket. When the winning ticket is drawn, the holder takes all of the 'Coin of the Month' home. In October the special coin was a silver dime.

GOOD GOING, FUN CLUB

The City of Fontana sponsored the 14th Annual International Dance, Food and Craft Festival in September. The *Fontana United Numismatists* had a booth set up for this event. They attracted much interest and hopefully some new members.

WORTHY PEOPLE, WORTHY AWARDS

Speaking of Awards, Charles Colver received a Silver Ambassador-at-Large from Krause Publications at the ANA. Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald received his 25 year pin. Congratulations to both of these Covina men.

A VERY NICE PERSON WITH A NICE GESTURE

Alice House of the *Covina Coin Club* donated some numismatic supplies from the estate of her late husband Amos. Some of the items were put on the auction and netted the club a tidy profit. The club thanks Alice for her generosity.

MARK THE CALENDAR

The *West Valley Coin Club* will not meet in December as their meeting date falls on Christmas Day.

BACK IN THE GOOD, OL' USA

One of the more interesting programs recently was Jim Vorus' presentation to the *Society of International Numismatics*. Jim's eighty minute talk centered on his experience while looking for lost treasure off the coast of Thailand, his capture and escape. This story was featured on the front page of many newspapers.

ELEGANT BANQUET

The *Society of International Numismatics* Awards Banquet was a very special affair. Richard Dysart, of L. A. Law, was the featured speaker and answered many questions regarding that highly rated program. George Russell presented a silver medal to Ben and Claire Abelson for their service and dedication to numismatics. Mr. Dysart presented a silver medal for Charles V. Kappen of San Jose for his years of research. Charles Colver accepted for Mr. Kappen. President Bob Hochman presented Hans and Beate Rauch a silver medal for their years of devoted service to the Society.

THE COIN BENDS . . . AT LEAST FOR SOME OF US!

From the *Beverly Hills Coin Club News* Notes of August, 1943 comes this quote: "There were times my pants were so thin that I could sit on a dime and tell you if it was heads or tails." So said Spencer Tracey

GET THEM EARLY

Verdugo Hills Coin Club has sold 37 silver and 21 bronze medals honoring their 25th birthday in March. The club will strike only 75 of each.

HONOR ROLL

The San Diego Coinarama show concluded with increased attendance, the Edgerton award was presented to Carl Sandburg for his 'Best of Show' exhibit, the Medal of Honor award was presented to a surprised John Lenker, and Charles Colver presented the Krause Numismatic Ambassador Award to Betty and Pappy Young. In addition, the sixty-two dealers were pleased. To all the award winners and all those who worked so hard, we say well done!

ANA GRADING

J. P. Martin and Debby Paget of ANA spoke to the *Oceanside-Carlsbad Coin Club* on Coin Grading.

CHANGE OF DATE/LOCATION

The *Santa Barbara Coin Club* changed its meeting date in September to the fourth Monday. Equally important, the location of their meetings was changed to the Santa Barbara Recreation Department's Clubhouse on State and Los Positas. Everyone is welcome to join the club or just to drop by for a meeting.

WHOEVER SAID . . .

"THERE ARE NO FREE MEALS"
LIED

Not all great deals are made by investors. Being a member of the *Redlands Coin Club* is paying dividends. The club will celebrate its 25th birthday in December. The silver anniversary dinner and birthday cake are FREE — absolutely FREE — to all PAID-UP members. No tickets will be sold for the dinner.

— SPEAKERS —

LARRY BABER

Susan B. Anthony Coinage
Coiners Coin Club

RICHARD BASSLER

Paths to Glory and Death —
Lived Emperors of Rome
Long Beach Coin Club

GEORGE BAUDE

Psuedo Coins and Satirical Currency
of the American Political Scene
Upland Coin Club

PAUL BORACK

Ancient Greek Coins
Israel Numis. Soc. of L.A.

GREGORY L. BUTLER

Investment Opportunities in
Ancient Coins
Downey Numis. Club

SGT. JOHN COLLINS

You and Home Security
San Gabriel Valley Coin Club

CHARLES COLVER

National Bank Notes
Long Beach Coin Club
Two Decades of CSNA Medals
Los Angeles Coin Club

ERNIE DANIELSON

Redlands Centennial
Redlands Coin Club

HAROLD DONALD

Collecting Currency
West Valley Coin Club

BILL FELL

Currency
Oceanside-Carlsbad Coin Club

BILL GRANT

Charles Lindbergh
Upland Coin Club
Lindbergh in Numismatics
Culver City Coin Club

AL HALL

Counterfeit Currency of WW-II
Fontana United Numismatists
Focus of American Independence
by National Parks
Redlands Coin Club

JOHN HAMILTON

Medals and Tokens
Heartland Coin Club

JIM HILL

Numismatic Grading System
Coiners Coin Club

AL. HOOGEVEEN

Coins of The Netherlands
Redlands Coin Club

PHIL IVERSEN

Exonumia of Yesterday
Litton Coin Club
Exonumia-Yesterday and Today
San Gabriel Valley Coin Club
Grading
Bay Cities Coin Club

N. V. JAMGOCHIAN

Royal Greek Portrait Coins
So. Calif. Ancient Numis.

G. LEE KUNTZ

The Isle of Yap and its Money
Whittier Coin Club

LLOYD LINDEMER

Coal and Coal Tokens
San Diego Numismatic Society

CHUCK LUCE

Numismatic Trivia
San Diego Numis. Society

ERIC MILLMAN

XXVII America's Cup Coins
from American Samoa
San Diego Numis. Society

MIKE MOLINE

Conversations of Collecting
Downey Numismatists

L. GEORGE MOUHTOURIS

The "Odd-Fellows" of American
Coinage
San Bernardino County Coin Club

DR. WALT OSTROMECKI

Coins of Special Significance
Israel Numis. Soc. of L.A.

LARRY PLUMMER

Olympic Memorabilia
Covina Coin Club

DENNIS ROCKLEIN

U. S. 3¢ Pieces
Glendale Coin Club

JERRY SCHRECKENGOST

U.S. Mint Medals
Los Angeles Coin Club
Culver City Coin Club

ALEX SHAGIN

The Art of Designing Medals
Verdugo Hills Coin Club

DR. JOHN VENABLE

Fun With Money
Glendale Coin Club

JIM VORUS

A Soldier of Fortune
Soc. of Inter. Numis.

DR. SHELBY WAGNER

The Great Alaskan Gold Stampede
Anaheim Coin Club
Orange County Coin Club

W. O. WISSLEAD

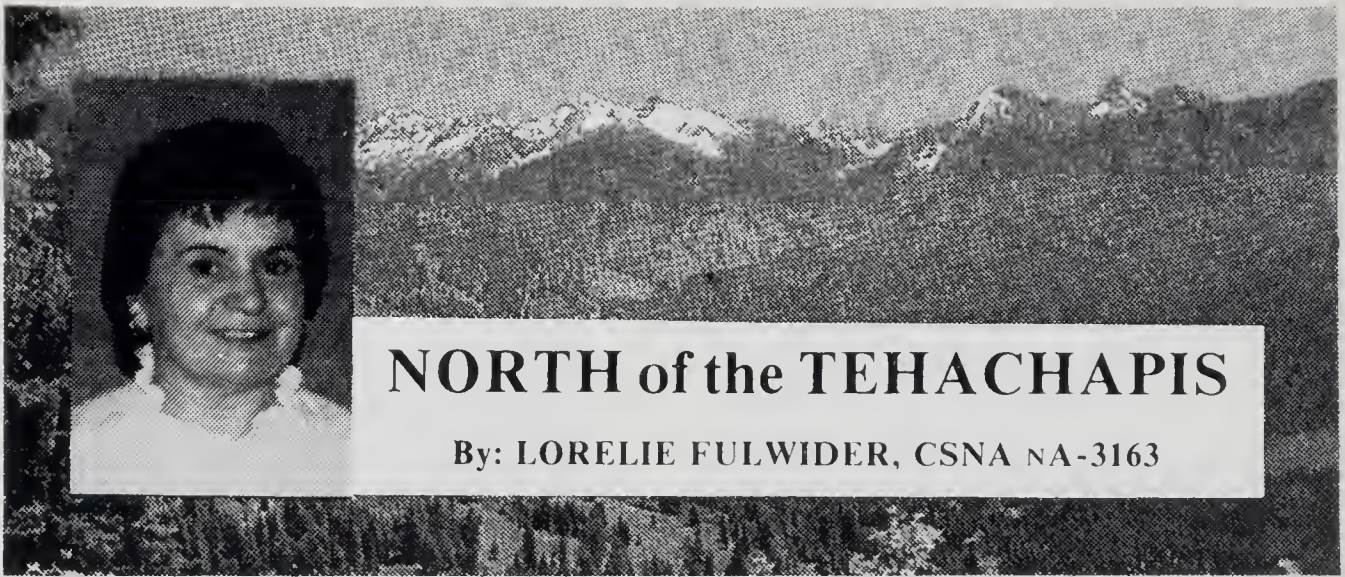
History of our motto - In God We Trust
Orange County Coin Club
Whittier Coin Club

ANDREW WOODRUFF

Changes in Paper Money
Coiners Coin Club



Reading Calcoin News?



NORTH of the TEHACHAPIS

By: LORELIE FULWIDER, CSNA NA-3163

THEME OF VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY 1989 SHOW IS GEORGE WASHINGTON

The theme honors the *Bicentennial* of the *First Presidential Inaugural* April 30, 1789. This will be the *18th Annual Vallejo Coin Show* and will be held April 30, 1989 at *Dan Foley Cultural Center*.

Mike Turrini was named *American Numismatic* district delegate for the Northern Bay Area. *Mike* is an active member of a number of local clubs and a popular featured speaker in the Bay Area.

Dirk Smit dispelled a number of misconceptions, when he spoke to VNS members in September. His talk covered the history of the *White Star Line* and an overview of other historical nautical accidents.

FAIRFIELD/VALLEJO PLAN 2nd ANNUAL JOINT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Plans are progressing for the December 17th party at the *Fairfield Anheuser Busch Brewery Hospitality Room*. A double headed silver medal with the logos of both clubs will be struck to commemorate the night. A wooden dollar featuring the Anheuser Busch logo will be presented to those attending. Tickets to the dinner were sold out by September 28th and a stand-by list established in case of cancellations.

Twenty three members and nine guests enjoyed Hot Dog Night. The evening proved not only fun, but added to the clubs treasury. Winners in the coin quiz were *Howard Londale*, *Ernie Drake*, *Moses Reis Jr.* and *Joe Sirois*.

REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB PLANS SHOW FOR 1989

Even while finalizing plans for the November 13, 1988 show, *RECC* members were beginning plans for next year. The 1989 show has been scheduled for November 12. The present show bourse was opened up to include stamps, baseball cards and dealers of other collectibles.

The club held a dinner meeting on November 2nd at the *Los Robles Lodge in Santa Rosa*. *John Pia* showed Canadian coins and gave a talk on BU graded coins at the 459th meeting.

DEAN SODERSTROM FEATURED AT CUPERTINO COIN CLUB MEETING

Members of CCC were treated to an informative and interesting talk on the US silver coins, 25¢ to \$1.00 at the September meeting by Dean Soderstrom. Editor Al Lo said that members were shown how the eagle evolved from a skinny, malnourished fowl, to a magnificent symbol of strength and beauty.

Juniors are preparing for the 1988-89 Youth Contest. Points have been determined for various activities, but the Board is deciding on prizes that will be given. Feed back information has been requested from the juniors. *Keith Wandry* was appointed Youth Program Chairman. Youth Vice President, *Michael Baer* conducted the meeting at the *Annual Youth Night*.

CONGRATULATIONS, SAN JOSE COIN CLUB ON 500th MEETING

It was appropriate that Past President and longest term member of the club, *Professor Charles Kappen*, was the featured speaker of the evening. His talk, which was filled with the interesting history of the SJCC, was supplemented with memorabilia provided by other members. The club's original name was *Todo Dinero Numismatic Association*. The present name was adopted in April of 1950. A souvenir copper medal was given to each member, who attended the nostalgic meeting. The 119 medals not distributed that night, were destroyed.

A wide variety of hobbies were exhibited during the July *Other Hobbies* Night. Items ranged from *Dan Shattuc's*, *Smokey The Bear Tokens* to *Mark Clark's*, *Pre Columbian Indian Pottery*.

Reports indicate that the *Annual San Jose/Cupertino Coin Club Picnic* was its usual success. The picnic was financed by *San Jose Coin Club* and staffed by *Cupertino Coin Club*. It was co-chaired by *Ron Ishizaki* and *Walt Mertins*.

DOG OF DOG CONTEST HELD AT DELTA COIN CLUB

Winners of the August contest were *Howard Wesley* for his *Seated Liberty* 50c piece, *Joe Inderbitzen* with a 1803 cent and a 1869 *Seated Liberty* 50c piece and *Jose Tagre* with his 1797 *British Cartwheel*. Each winner was awarded a prize worth the recipients effort for entering.

Greg Del Porto and *Ray Hirning* won the egg toss game at the annual club picnic at *Mick's Grove Park*. *Ray Hirning* must be a champion egg tosser since this is his second winning year.

Rubin Smith Jr. designed the winning design for the *Delta Coin Club's 1988 medal*. He received medal number 3, the lead proofs and a cash award for his efforts.

AUCTIONEER STEVE HUSTON CONDUCTS BOOK SALE FOR LNS

The annual August Book Sale proved a great success with not an album, book or catalog left unsold at the end of the evening. *Steve*, who did an outstanding

job, was assisted by *Marian Sinton* and *Carl Pastore*. Speaking of *Marian*, she generously brought tokens, pins and plastic bags back from her trip to the ANA to be shared with *Liberty Numismatic Society* members.

President Dave Lange announced that *Don Burns* would be succeeding *Gary Clements* as editor of the newsletter.

Peter Hamilton was the guest speaker at the September meeting. His talk on the *Coin Industry Past and Present* was most informative.

DIABLO COIN CLUB DECEMBER 11th SHOW

Members have been busy arranging last minute details of the one day show. It featured a large bourse, exhibits, an information table and drawings. The show was held at the *Concord Hilton* from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission was free.

The annual club picnic was hosted by *Betty and Hart Fairlough*. The rustic setting, good food and congenial participants, made for a delightful day.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY COIN CLUB REPORTS NEW FAMILY PARTICIPATION

John Gomer commended the encouragement given by adult members of the club to the junior members. The enjoyment of the hobby by the entire family is becoming more and more common. He particularly mentioned the father-son team of *Tim and Mike Lewis*, *Steve and Jason Bardin*, and *Jeff Shevlin* and his two children. *Ray Tisser* provides transportation to meetings for his grandson, *Neil Tigner* and junior members *Chris Bradeen* and *Chris Slavensky*. A Junior Numismatic Study Group was formed by *Steve Bardin* in August to further encourage the youngsters. They discuss smart ways to collect coins and different places to buy them. Junior member, *Mike Lewis* should be complimented on his very interesting and comprehensive article on the *Carson City Coin Press*. It appeared in the *SVCC* September newsletter.

SVCC has a very active club. The average attendance at the meetings is 56. Recent programs have been: *The Family of Septimius Severus* by *John Gomer*;

GSA Dollars by Bo Borick; English Coins From Elizabeth I to Elizabeth II by Fred Meyer and Game Counters by David Showers. With programs such as these, it is easy to see why their meetings are so well attended.

They have also organized a number of auxiliary clubs, including the *Society of Private and Pioneer Numismatics*, *Sacramento Valley Ancients Society*, *Junior Numismatic Study Group* and the *Sacramento Valley Numismatic Study Groups*. It sounds as if there is an auxiliary group to appeal to everyone.

HISTORY OF PCNS' FIRST 75 YEARS BEING DEVELOPED

David Lange has set January, 1990 as the deadline to complete the search from former members and their families, for information. Anyone with information should contact Dave at P.O. Box 3497, San Francisco, 94119.

The Board has nominated *Matthew Rockman*, junior member of *PCNS*, as a *Young Numismatist* member of *CSNA*. Congratulations, *Matthew*!

Recent programs included a detailed history of black slave trade from the 15th - 16th centuries, by *Herb Miles*, the *Great White Elephant Sale* and *Stephen Huston's* report of his numismatic adventures in Europe.

Editor, *Paul Holtzman* sadly reported the passing of *William Henry*. His contributions to the *PCNS Journal* alone, were great, in addition to his knowledge and research he shared so generously. He will be missed.

PENINSULA COIN CLUB HELD COIN SHOW NOVEMBER 13th

As an incentive, club members volunteering to help, received a 1988 bronze uniface club metal (mintage of only 25). I noticed, while reading the schedule of shows, that the *Redwood Empire Coin Club Show* and *Santa Cruz Coin Show* were also being held on the 13th. It is a shame when there is a date conflict in such a small geographic area.

PCC is compiling a list of Past Presidents. Names of Past Presidents and years in which they served should be sent to Box 60484, Palo Alto, CA. 94306-0484.

RUTH PHILLIPS LEADS ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION AT FRESNO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Ruth and her round table were featured at the educational portion of the October meeting. *Phil Nordin* presented a talk, showed slides and exhibited a case of *Leper Tokens* (also known as unclean money) at the August meeting. Editor, *John Peters*, said this was one of the top programs presented during the past five years. *Phil Nordin* was spot lighted in *Coin World* and *Numismatic News* for his 2nd place finish at the national gathering of *CONECA*.

A new feature of the *Fresno Numismatist*, is an advance listing of what will be offered at their coming auctions. The list includes a description of the coin, grade and reserve if required. This gives members a chance to plan ahead on some of their bidding.

OLD TIMERS NIGHT NEWEST ANNUAL EVENT AT NAPA VALLEY NUMISMATIC

First came *Gold Night*, then *Silver Night* and now *Old Timers Night*, a tribute to coins of America's past. All raffle and membership prizes were coins over 100 years old.

Mike Turrini presented the slides he had taken of the April club dinner, when he spoke at the June meeting. It's always fun to relive an enjoyable evening with pictures.

FREMONT 16th ANNUAL COIN SHOW GREAT SUCCESS

Don Barsi, *Exhibit Chairman* was delighted with the number of exhibitors at the show. Apparently the presentation of uniface medals was a successful inducement.

Winners were:

Junior Section — 1st Prize

Dinor Daniels

Wooden Nickels

Senior Section — Best of Exhibits

Ken Bauer

Value Me As You Please "Sic"

1st Prize

Glen Jacob

Commemorative Canadian Nickels

2nd Prize

Frank Wiecezorek

Racketeer Nickels

3rd Prize

Ken Barr

National Bank Notes of San Jose

Roger Lyles, *Installation Dinner Chairman*, suggested that the dinner be held at *Rumors* on January 21, 1989.

Frank Wiecezorek is preparing a draft of standard operating procedures for the membership to follow regarding numbered medals and other procedures.

GATEWAY COIN CLUB MOVES

BACK TO GUARANTEE SAVINGS

Gateway has returned to the location it occupied last March. The arrangement is tentative on a month to month basis. *Guarantee Savings* is at 19th and M Streets in Merced. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month.

The club said goodbye to member, *Tom Anderson*, who was transferred from *Castle AFB* to *Germany*.

Ron Lund held a *Foreign Spotlight Auction*. Paper money, jade or anything but U.S. money was acceptable. Ron Miller travelled all the way from Fremont to talk to the group in October. Winner of the *Dog Eat Dog* (worse coin through natural wear) was *Terry Woodward*. Terry's coin won out by one vote over *Cathy Hofman*.

SUCCESSFUL 2nd Annual GREATER BAY AREA COIN SHOW HELD

Exhibit winners were:

Best of Show

F. Wiecezorek

Racketeer Nickels

1st Prize

Steve Seelig

Stone Mountain Memorial

Jr. Exhibit

Josua Hoover

Boys' Beginning Journey in Numismatics

The show, a joint venture of *San Francisco Coin* and *Alameda Coin Clubs*, went smoothly, which pleased everyone.

Recent programs at SFCC were the traditional *Other Hobbies Night*; *Bill Koonce* who spoke on *Large and Fractional Currency* and *Ron Johnson*, who spoke on *Railroading*.

ALAMEDA COIN CLUB announced that *Hall Koonce* is the new editor for their newsletter, *Thick and Thin Times*. An enjoyable and enlightening talk on *Fractional Gold Coinage* was presented by *Past President, Tom Kelly*.

L. EDLON BEAULIEU NAMED HISTORIAN EMERITUS

The title of "Historian Emeritus" was bestowed upon L. Eldon Beaulieu by the CSNA Executive Board at its recent semi-annual meeting at the Red Lion, Ontario, California.

Eldon served as historian from 1967 to 1984, keeping past records of conventions and historical archives. CSNA is proud to pay tribute to such a dedicated member.

FINANCIAL NEWS . . . The powerful and wealthy pharaoh was very ill, so he called his family and retainers to his bedside to discuss his financial affairs. When he was asked how he intended to dispose of his vast wealth, he replied, "I've got this great pyramid scheme."



**THE PERFECT 10
U. S. OLYMPIC GOLD CHAMPION GREG LOUGANIS**

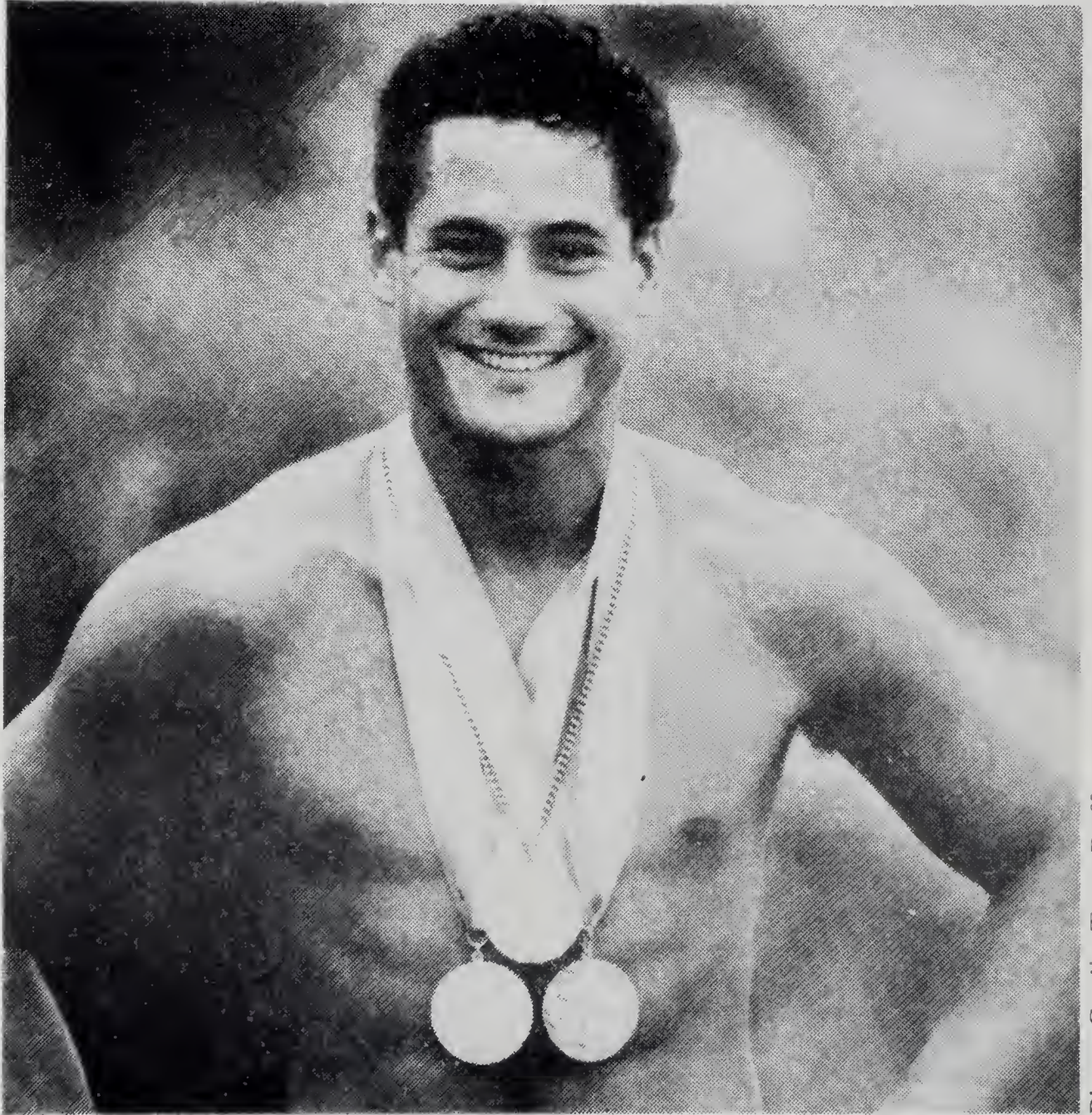


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This is the only official coin series commemorating Greg Louganis, America's Olympic Gold Medalist and the world's greatest diver. The set contains three spectacular proof silver coins featuring different examples of Greg's diving perfection.

Each Louganis coin meets the highest standard of minting and beauty. Shimmering frosting of the Louganis designs creates a superb cameo affect against a mirrored background. Engraved by Walter Ott, recently retired Chief Engraver for the Royal Canadian Mint, the coins were struck by the Sunshine Mint in Cocur d'Alene, Idaho.



"Twister"
Reverse 3½ Twist



"Back Dive"
Backdive Layout



"Jackknife"
Forward Dive Pike



"Jackknife"
Reverse

Numismatic information:

Silver Content:

1 Troy Ounce Pure Silver

Fineness:

.925

Diameter:

40mm

Status:

Legal Tender of The Republic
of The Marshall Islands

Obverse:

Twister, Jackknife, Backdive

Reverse:

Official Seal of the Republic
of The Marshall Islands

A portion of the proceeds from the sale of each Greg Louganis coin goes to the benefit of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States and United States Diving, Inc., the official governing body of U.S. Diving.

CSNA'S COLONIAL CONVENTION

The **LEGACY OF THOMAS JEFFERSON** is depicted
on the CSNA 83rd Convention Medal.

The *San Bernardino County Coin Club* thought the best way to celebrate their 40th Anniversary was to host a CSNA convention. President William J. Grant chose the theme of Thomas Jefferson as a tribute to the 50 years of our current 5-cent piece.

Due to a holiday weekend convention, routine plans went awry in several ways. Members from the host club had to obtain a truck and pick up tables and cases, brought them to the Red Lion before Thanksgiving, then early, early, early on Friday morning set up the bourse and exhibit rooms. That's dedication. Thanks, guys!

The Friday luncheon hostess, Barbara Burke brought Jo Danielson from Redlands to speak on quilting in the colonial home. Programs and table favors reflected the quilt scene.

Saturday afternoon was filled with club meetings, Young Numismatists Program and the International Primitive Money Society.

The exhibit room was full of a variety of displays, many of which were dedicated to our third President, Thomas Jefferson. John Lenker had twenty-five cases of unusual money on display in the bourse area.

The pioneer buffet brought "oohs" and "aahs" at the Saturday night banquet. Exhibit awards and 25-year membership medals were presented during the evening.

The CSNA medal of merit was awarded to a very surprised Past President - John Lenker. Congratulations, John!

A Sunday morning breakfast provided a post convention time to digest the pros and cons of coin shows.

If you weren't there, we missed you.



The Legacy of Thomas Jefferson, obverse of the convention medal, was designed by SBCCC member, C. R. "Russ" Woodward



NUMISMATIC PUZZLE

See if you can find the 42 related numismatic terms in this challenging puzzle. The words read up, down, backward, forward or diagonally. There may be more words than what is listed below. Have fun and good luck.

William J. Grant

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Ana	CSNA	Legal	Rouble
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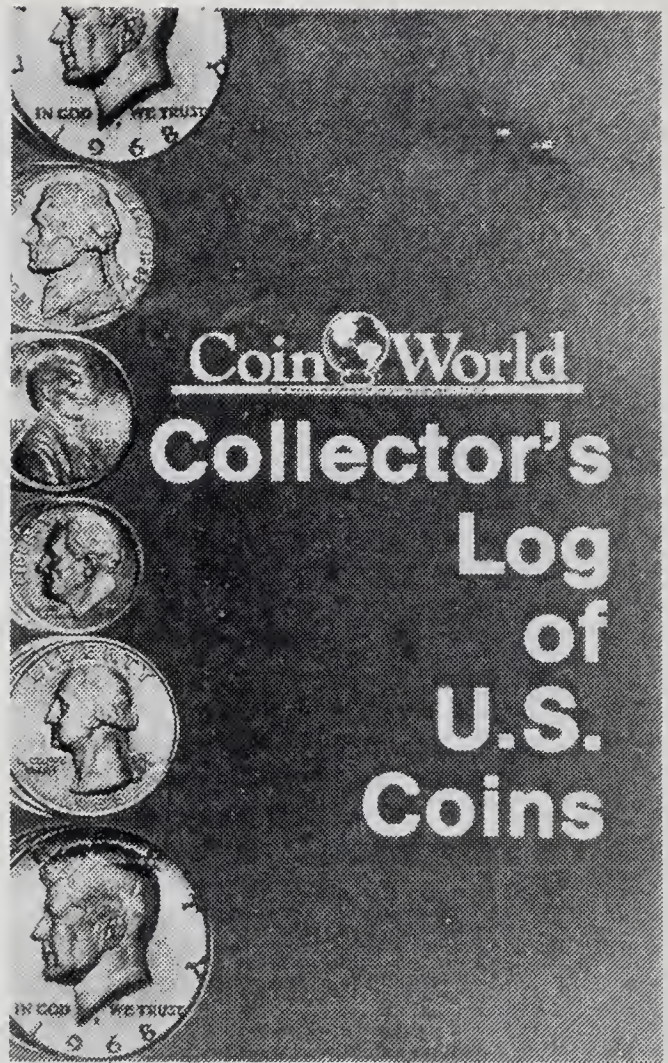
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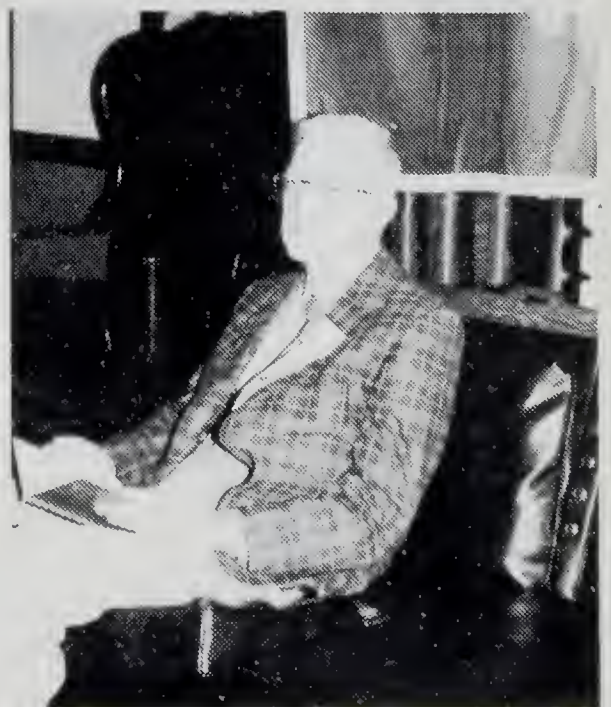
In Memory of Richard Yeoman

The world of numismatics lost one of the founders of our hobby in mid-November.

Richard Yeoman, of Redbook fame, suffered a heart attack while driving his car and was killed in the resulting accident.

He was a friend to the novice and advanced collector alike, always greeting you with a smile and a handshake.

We shall miss him, but will always remember.



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5074	Rarities Emporium Corp.

DECEASED

3835	Lutton, Glen E.
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RESIGNED

A3836	Lutton, Edna L.
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Membership on 1 August 1988	1047
New Members (1 August 1988 through 31 October 1988)	8
Reinstatements	2
Deceased	1
Resigned	1
Membership Total, 1 November 1988	1055
Total Life Members	150

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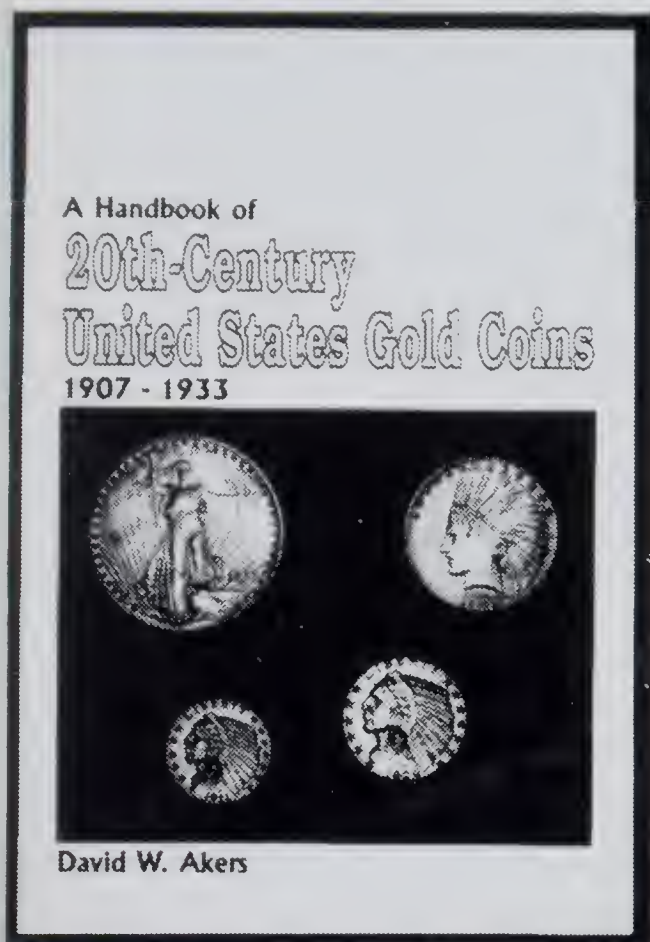
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Vallejo Numismatic Society
Dan Foley Cultural Center, Tuolumne & N. Camino Alto Sts., Vallejo
Bourse: Mike Stanley, 2107 Gill Dr., Concord, CA 94520
- May 14, 1989 28th Coin-O-Rama
Covina Coin Club, Joselyn Center, 815 N. Barranca, Covina
General Chairman: Chuck Hamm, 812 Payson St., LaVerne 91750
- July 8-9, 1989 31st Annual Coinarama
San Diego County Interclub Numismatic Council
Scottish Rite Memorial Center, Mission Valley, San Diego
Bourse: Kay Lenker, Box 6599, San Diego 92106
General Chairman: Jim Heine, Box 368, Lemon Grove 92045
- August 18-20, 1989 26th Anniversary Convention
Convention of International Numismatics
Airport Hilton, Century Blvd., Los Angeles
Bourse: James Garner, 8157 White Oak Ave., Reseda, CA 91335
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Calendar of Numismatic Events

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

- March 18, 1989 21st Educational Symposium
Griswold's Inn, Freeway #91, Raymond Off-Ramp, Fullerton
Director of Education: Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald, Box 4144, Covina 91724
- May 5-7, 1989 84th Convention & Coin Show
Dunfey Hotel, San Mateo, CA.
Exhibit Chairman: Donald R. Barsi, Box 7989, Fremont, CA 94537
- October 13-15, 1989 85th Convention & Coin Show
Holiday Inn, Fullerton, CA.
General Chairman: W. O. Wisslead, 2053 Cypress Ave., Santa Ana 92707
Exhibit Chairmen: Al and Virginia Hall, Box 499, Colton 92324
Host Club: Orange County Coin Club

W. J. Grant, BOURSE COORDINATOR, P.O. Box 295, Patton, CA. 92369
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— OTHERS —

- January 8, 1989 26th Coin / Hobby Show
San Bernardino County Coin Club
National Orange Show Grds, Citrus Bldg., 689 South "E" St., San Bernardino
Bourse: Norm Sturgess, Box 1028, Colton, CA 92324
- January 13-15, 1989 21st Annual Coin Show
San Jose Coin Club
San Jose Convention Center, Park Ave. & Market St., San Jose
Bourse: Ken Barr, Box 32541, San Jose, 95152
- January 26-28, 1989 34th Annual Convention
Numismatic Association of Southern California
Hyatt Hotel, Los Angeles Airport, Cor. Century & Sepulveda
Bourse: Jerry Yahalom, Box 3637, Thousand Oaks 91359
Exhibits: Albert & Virginia Hall, Box 1028, Colton 92324
- February 25-26, 1989 19th Annual Coin Show
Cupertino Coin Club, 21250 Stevens Creek Blvd.
De Anza College Cupertino, CA
Bourse: Frank Nielson, c/o CCC, Box 1189, Cupertino 95014
- March 3-5, 1989 26th Annual Coin Show
Las Vegas Numismatic Society
Union Plaza Hotel, Downtown Las Vegas
Bourse: Ernie Ferrario, 1417 Webb St., Las Vegas 89030
- March 11-12, 1989 23rd Annual Coin Show
Eureka Coin Club
Redwood Acres Fairgrounds, 3750 Harris St., Eureka
Bourse: Harry Dixon, Box 505, Eureka 95501
- March 18-19, 1989 7th Annual Spring Show
Sacramento Valley Coin Club
Elk's Hall, 6446 Riverside Blvd., Sacramento
Info: Dennis Pacheco, Box 160122, Sacramento 95816
- March 19, 1989 20th Annual Coin Show
Napa Valley Coin Club
Town & Country Fairgrounds, 575 - 3rd St., Napa
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